

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 389

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A RESOLUTION to commend Raymond Walker for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, our former colleague, Representative Raymond Walker, is one such estimable person who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Raymond Walker served with courage, conviction, and compassion as a member of the House of Representatives during the 100th through 103rd General Assemblies and made significant contributions to the legislative process as a member of the House committees on Commerce and Finance, Ways, and Means; and

WHEREAS, earlier in his political career, he was an elected delegate to the 1977 Constitutional Convention; and

WHEREAS, an insurance professional, Mr. Walker received the Tennessee Farmers Life Round Table Award for fifteen consecutive years and the Quality Business Award for 90% Persistency and Excellent Service, and he has astutely served the insurance industry in various capacities at the local, state, and national levels; and

WHEREAS, Raymond Walker is a dedicated public servant on the local level in addition to his service in the General Assembly; he has served on the Board and Legislative Committee of the Economic Development Council, the Board of the Natural Resource Conservation Committee, the Board and Legislative Committee of the Rhea County Farm Bureau, the Board of Rhea County United Way, and the Board of Rhea County Medical Center and he is past president of the Dayton Rotary Club, Dayton Chamber of Commerce, and Dayton Jaycees; and

WHEREAS, a devoted family man, Mr. Walker, along with wife and two children, received the University of Tennessee's William and Mary Hale "Family of the Year" award; and

WHEREAS, Raymond Walker is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Raymond Walker for his honorable and astute service to the good people of Tennessee and salute his unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.